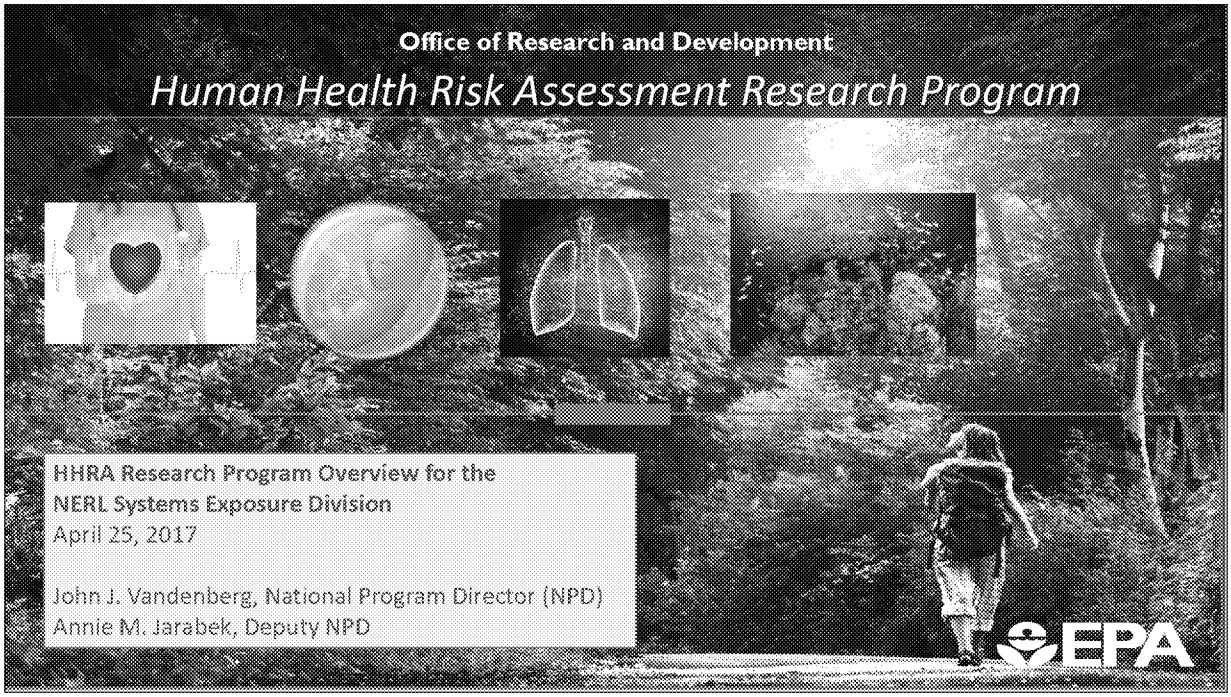
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Human Health Risk Assessment Research Program
HHRA Research Program Overview for the
NERL Systems Exposure Division
April 25, 2017
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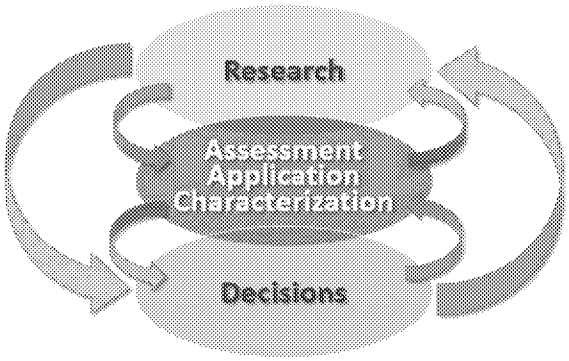
Overview Outline

- Program design
- Projects and tasks
  - Purpose
  - People
- Summary

HHRA: Pivotal Role in ORD Portfolio



HHRA Vision: *Risk-based decisions by the EPA, State/local/tribal agencies and the public to protect public health and the environment are based on reliable, transparent and high-quality risk assessment methods, models, and data.*

HHRA Addresses all Agency Priorities and Mandates

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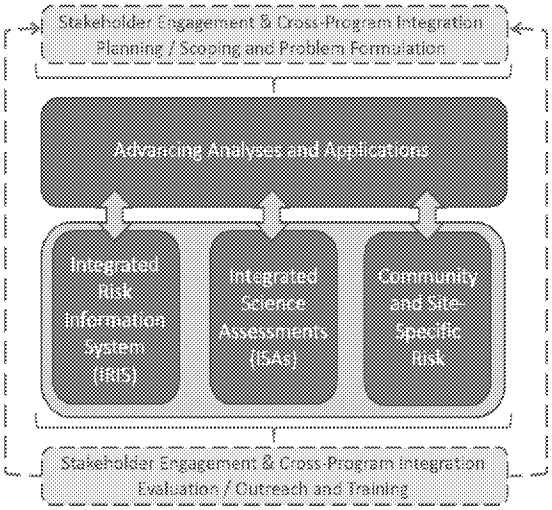
- Clean Air Act (CAA)
- Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)
- Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA)
- Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA)
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)
- Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

Broad Input to Support

- Agency Strategic Goals
- Children's Health, Environmental Justice, Climate and Nitrogen Roadmaps
- Sustainability

HHRA Program Design

Implemented recommendations for stakeholder engagement in scoping and problem formulation



4 Topics and 9 HHRA Projects: Responding to Partner Priorities

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- #1) IRIS Assessments
- #2) IRIS Update

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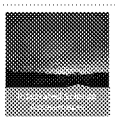

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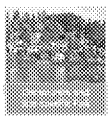

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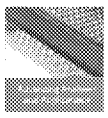
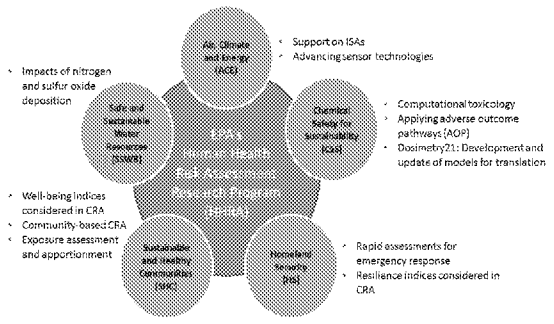


- #7) Advancing Hazard Characterization and Dose-response Methods and Models
- #8) Applying Emerging Science to Inform Risk Screening and Assessment
- #9) Risk Assessment Support and Training

Cross-Cutting Collaborations

HHRA Cross-Cutting National Program Work:

- **Chemical Safety for Sustainability (CSS) –** Application and characterization of new data, tools and concepts in risk screening and assessments; update of dosimetry modeling
- **Air, Climate and Energy (ACE) –** Incorporation of NAAQS research (including climate as a welfare effect) into Integrated Science Assessment (ISA); IRIS assessments of air toxics; interpretation of sensor data
- **Safe and Sustainable Water Resources (SSWR) –** Assessment of deposited oxides of nitrogen and sulfur on surface water quality
- **Sustainable and Healthy Communities (SHC) –** Development of Cumulative Risk Assessment (CRA) methods and decision analytic software to support "place-based" community assessment and to link health and ecology to well-being; evaluating epigenetics data
- **Homeland Security Research Program (HSRP) –** Rapid response assessment and incorporation of resiliency into cumulative risk assessment methods



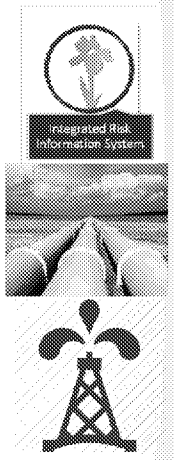
HHRA Program: People

- **NPD team**
  - **John Vandenberg,** National Program Director (NPD) -> Transitioned to Tina Bahadori (NCEA CD)
  - **Annie Jarabek,** Deputy NPD
  - **James Avery,** Assistant Center Director for Budget & Planning
  - **Lou D'Amico,** Communications Director (Acting)
  - **Ashley Jones and Salina Tewolde,** Science Communications
  - **Maureen Johnson,** HHRA Webmaster
- **HHRA Matrix Interface (MI)**
  - **NCEA: James Avery**
  - **NCCT: John Cowden**
  - **NERL: John Kenneke**
  - **NHEERL: Lisa Baxter**
  - **NHSRC: TBD**
  - **NRMRL: TBD**

- **Topic leads**
- **PL = Project leads**
- **TL = Task leads**
- **Regional partners (OHHRRAF, RSL)**
- **Program partners (OAR, OLEM, OW…)**

Topic 1: Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)

- Topic 1 Lead: Kris Thayer / James Avery (acting) (NCEA-IRIS)
- Project 1 (*RMS HHRA 1.21*) - IRIS Assessments [PLs Kris Thayer / James Avery, NCEA IRIS]
  - Task 1.211: Developing IRIS Document Components
  - Task 1.212: IRIS Science advancements & technical consultations
  - Task 1.213: Stakeholder engagement & outreach for IRIS Program **(TL Lou D'Amico, NCEA IRIS)**
  - Task 1.214: IRIS Handbook of Operating Procedures
- Project 2 (*RMS HHRA 1.22*) - IRIS Updates
  - Task 1.221: Develop decision strategy
  - Task 1.222: Review and update IRIS Assessments



IRIS Project 1: Issues of Interest

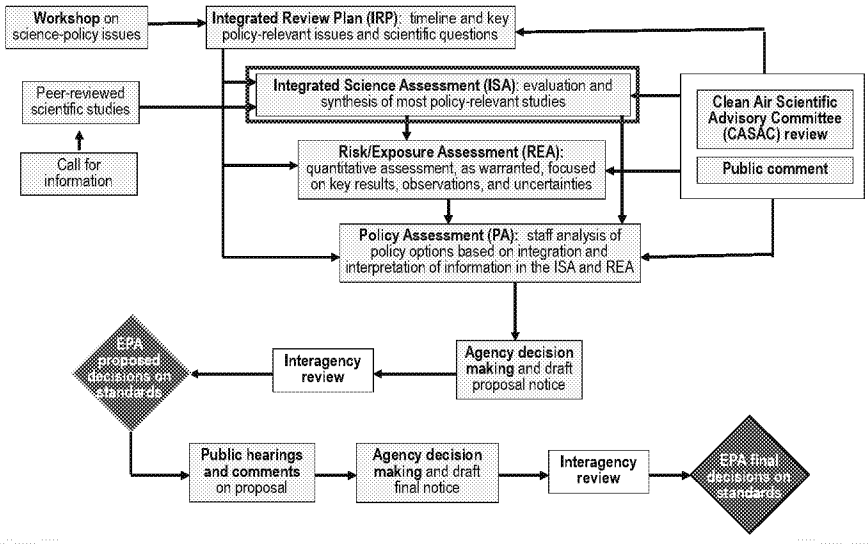
- **IRIS Multi-year agenda**
  - Completed
  - Reflects program and regional priorities to aid planning
  - Scoping / problem formulation to be initiated on a few top p
- **IRIS Draft Handbook of Operating Procedures (IHOP)**
  - Evergreen and evolving
  - Systematic review and disciplinary workgroups to ensure quality, consistency
  - Enhancements to improve efficiency and productivity
- **Inorganic arsenic assessment**
- **Less-than-lifetime derivations**
- **Collaboration on interim components of IRIS assessments**

IRIS Project 2: Updating and Innovating

- **Purpose**
  - Ensure IRIS and related portfolio of products provide premier risk assessment resource
  - Provide timely assessments that are focused on key questions
  - Pilot new applications
  - Streamline the review process

- **Status**
  - Approval by IOAA-ORD
  - Identify top EPA priorities (similar to process for IRIS multiyear agenda)
  - Top-priority updates underway: Mn, uranium, chloroform, ammonia

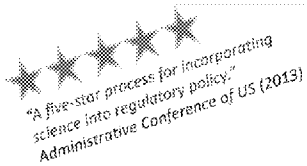
NAAQS Review Process



Topic 2: Integrated Science Assessments (ISA) and Scientific/Regulatory Support

Topic 2 lead: Steve Dutton (NCEA RTP)

- **Project 3 (*HHRA 2.21*) - ISAs and Scientific/Regulatory Support** (PL Steve Dutton, NCEA RTP)
  - **Task 3.1 (*HHRA 2.211*):** Development of ISAs (TL Steve Dutton, NCEA RTP)
    - Public science workshops
    - Draft and final Integrated Review Plans (IRPs) and ISAs
    - Public Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) meetings



  - **Task 3.2 (*HHRA 2.212*):** ISA-Related Scientific & Regulatory Support (TL James Brown, NCEA RTP)
  - **Task 3.3 (*HHRA 2.213*):** ISA-Related Science Advancements (TL Jennifer Richmond-Bryant, NCEA RTP)
- **HHRA engagement**
  - Weekly meetings with OAQPS; monthly with others as needed

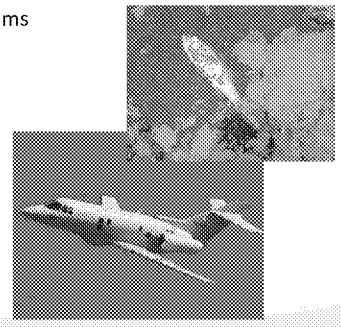
Task 3.1 (*HHRA 2.211*) Development of ISAs

- FY17 Q1
  - Second draft ISA to support primary (health criteria) NAAQS for oxides of sulfur
    - Released Dec 2016
    - CASAC review Mar 20-21, 2017
    - NOTE: Exposure chapter well received
  - Final IRP to support primary and secondary (welfare criteria) NAAQS for particulate matter
    - Released Dec 2016 by OAQPS with ISA chapter developed by NCEA
    - Working on first draft ISA

- FY17 Q2
  - Final IRP to support secondary (ecological criteria) NAAQS for oxides of nitrogen, oxides of sulfur, and particulate matter
    - Released Jan 2017 by OAQPS with ISA chapter developed by NCEA
  - First draft ISA to support secondary (ecological criteria) NAAQS for oxides of nitrogen, oxides of sulfur, and particulate matter
    - CASAC review scheduled for May 24-25, 2017

Task 3.2 (*HHRA 2.212*) ISA-Related Scientific and Regulatory Support

- FY17 Q1 and Q2
  - Subtask 3.2.1 (2.212.1) Scientific and Regulatory Support for the NAAQS
    - Support to OAR/OAQPS on the Risk and Exposure Assessment (REA) for the Oxides of Sulfur NAAQS
    - Support to OAR/OAQPS on the Policy Assessment (PA) for the Oxides of Nitrogen NAAQS
    - Litigation and decision support to OGC for Oxides of Nitrogen and Oxides of Sulfur NAAQS
  - Subtask 3.2.2 (2.212.2) Regulatory and Policy Support for Other Programs
    - OAR/OAQPS (ecosystem critical loads; multipollutant science; health messaging)
    - EPA Roadmaps (nitrogen, children's health, climate)
    - SERDP/ESTCP (climate change proposal reviews)
    - NCCT (advancing risk assessment methodology)
    - S. Australia EPA & Taiwan EPA (presentations)
    - Health Effects Institute (liaison committee)
    - ORD/OSP (aircraft GHG and Pb emissions)
    - OAR/OTAQ (rulemaking support)
    - OPPT/OCSPP (azo dye transport)
    - NIEHS (exposure science)
    - OPP (systematic review)
    - **OW/OLEM (Pb modeling support)**
    - Regions (RARE)

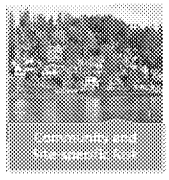


Task 3.3 (*HHRA 2.213*) ISA-Related Science Advancements

- FY17 Q1 and Q2
  - Subtask 3.3.1 (2.213.1) Publications and Scientific Analyses
    - Sparks, A., A. Smith, A. Talhelm, C. Kolden, K. Yedinak, and D. Johnson. Impacts of fire radiative flux on mature Pinus ponderosa growth and vulnerability to secondary mortality agents (International Journal of Wildland Fire. DOI:10.1071/WF16139)
    - Owens, B., M. Patel, E. Kirrane, T. Long, J. Brown, I. Cote, M. Ross, and S. Dutton. Framework for assessing causality of air pollution-related health effects for reviews of the National Ambient Air quality Standards (submitted)
    - Xia, M., A. Talhelm, and K. Pregitzer. Long-term simulated atmospheric nitrogen deposition alters leaf and fine root decomposition (submitted)
    - Deener, K., J. Sacks, E. Kirrane, B. Glenn, M. Gwinn, T. Bateson, and T. Burke. Epidemiology: A Foundation of Environmental Decision-Making (submitted)
    - Chan, E., and J. Currier. Zinc and zinc-dependent proteins in cancer and chemotherapeutics. Molecular and Cellular Toxicology (submitted)
    - Richmond-Bryant, J., M. Snyder, C. Owen, and S. Kimbrough. Factors associated with near-road NO2 concentration gradient size (in clearance)
  - Presentations
    - 16 presentations at national and international conferences

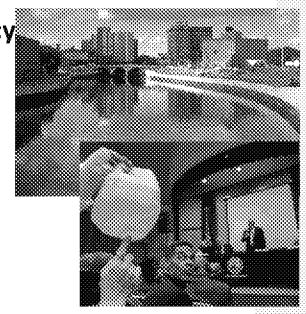
Project 4 (*HHRA 3.2.1*): Provisional Peer-reviewed Toxicity (PPRTV) Assessments

- Project 4 PL: Teresa Shannon, NCEA CIN
- Provisional Peer-Reviewed Toxicity Value (PPRTV) Assessments (TL J. Phillip Kaiser, NCEA CIN)
  - Annually develop ≥ 12 PPRTV assessments as prioritized by OLEM.
    - Derived following a review of the relevant scientific literature using the same methods, sources of data, and guidance used by the IRIS program
    - All PPRTV assessments receive internal review by EPA scientists and external peer review by independent scientific experts.
  - Status FY17 Q2
    - pCBSA (para-chloro benzene sulfonic acid)
      - Chronic and subchronic oral RfD
    - Now 335 PPRTV assessment documents available online which provide 799 values
    - On target to deliver all in FY17 and FY18 already in process
  - FY17: Continued application of new approaches in appendices as characterization and understanding matures



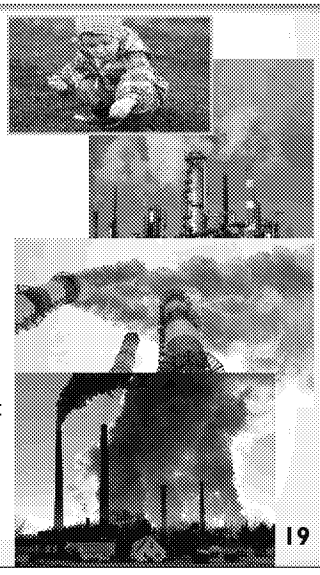
HHRA Project 5 (*HHRA 3.22*): Site-specific and Superfund Regulatory Support

- Project 5 PL: Teresa Shannon, NCEA CIN
- **Provides technical support, consultation and reviews for Superfund and other Agency priorities**
  - Task 5.1 (*HHRA 3.221*) **Quarterly reports to Superfund Technical Support Center (STSC) and Ecological Risk Assessment Support Center (ERASC)** (TL Teresa Shannon, NCEA CIN)
    - FY17Q1 delivered
  - Task 5.2 (*HHRA 3.222*) **Technical consultation and support on Agency priorities** (TL Beth Owens, NCEA CIN and Linda Phillips, NCEA W)
    - Denka facility in LA: Chloroprene
    - Region 5, Manganese: Consultation to Region 5 regarding best exposure levels (reference values) to use for an enforcement action under consent decree that mandated fence-line monitoring at a facility in East Liverpool, OH
      - NCEA RTP helped to develop a "Preventative Action Level" (as measured in PM-10)
    - Tire crumbs
    - Health and education outcomes in R7 near former Pb refinery / smelter



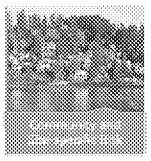
HHRA Project 5 (*HHRA 3.22*): Site-specific and Superfund Regulatory Support (cont)

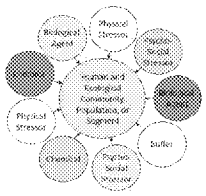
- **Participation on Agency workgroups**
  - Soil and dust ingestion collaboration with SHC
  - OAQPS, n-Propyl Bromide (nPB): NCEA RTP Staff participated as a member of the nPB HAP-Listing Work Group convened by OAQPS
    - n-PB will be the first chemical to be added to the list of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) since the Clean Air Act 1990 amendments
    - On December 28, 2016, the US EPA issued a draft notice of the Agency's rationale for granting petitions to add nPB to the list of HAPs
  - OAQPS, Risk and Technology Review (RTR) Program: NCEA RTP staff participates as work group members on a number of RTR, source-category specific regulatory actions, working collaboratively with ORD/OSP to provide an ORD-wide perspective.
    - Brick and Clay Manufacturing: Assist on review of court briefs to support the findings of an adequate margin of safety
    - Serve on workgroups for several other active RTR Source Categories: Pulp & Paper Manufacturing; Asphalt Manufacturing; Ferroalloys Manufacturing; and Portland Cement;



Topic 3: Community and Site-specific Risk (cont)

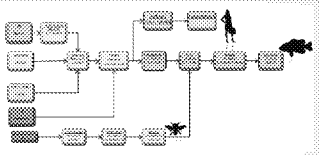
- Project 6 (*HHRA 3.23*) - Cumulative Risk Assessment (CRA) Methods and Applications [PLs Mike Wright (NCEA CIN) / Deborah Segal (NCEA W)]
  - Task 6.1 (*HHRA 3.231*): **Approaches to cross-species data integration to support CRA** (TL Meredith Lassiter, NCEA RTP)
  - Task 6.2 (*HHRA 3.232*): **Incorporating Multiple Stressors** (TL Glenn Rice, NCEA CIN)
  - Task 6.3 (*HHRA 3.233*): **Applying Genetic and Epigenetic Data to Inform Susceptibility** (TL Sue Euling, NCEA W)
  - Task 6.4 (*HHRA 3.234*): **Apportioning Multimedia Exposure and Risk Across Human and Ecological Receptors** (TL Jennifer Richmond-Bryant, NCEA RTP)

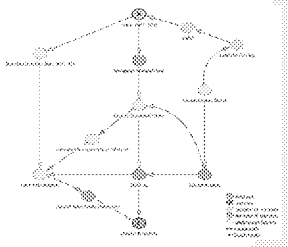




Project 6 (*HHRA 3.23*): Cumulative Risk Assessment Methods and Applications

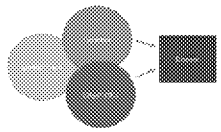
- Task 6.1 (HHRA 3.231) Approaches to cross-species data integration (collaboration with NHEERL)
  - FY17: Case study illustrating utility of AEP:AOP frameworks to integrate human and ecological endpoints (e.g., the ES-GEAE) and advance mechanistic considerations
  - SOT 2017 RASS Best Abstract Award – Poster (Abstract # /Poster #: 2827/P229) on Wednesday March 15: David Hines et al. *Cross-species integration of human health and ecological endpoints using the Aggregate Exposure Pathway (AEP) and Adverse Outcome Pathway (AOP) frameworks to advance risk assessment*
- Task 6.2 (HHRA 3.232) Incorporating multiple stressors
  - Completed early (FY16): Workshop report: Greenspace (GS) exposure and health effects occurrence from a CRA perspective. https://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/risk/recordisplay.cfm?deid=314417
  - FY16 Q4: Brewer LE, Wright JM, Rice G, Neas L, Teuschler L. (Accepted – galley proof stage). Causal inference in cumulative risk assessment: The roles of directed acyclic graphs. *Environ. Int.*
  - FY17/18: Additional case studies, including: Gernes R, Rice G, Wright JM, et al (In Preparation) Evaluation of Multiple Measures of Residential Greenspace Exposure and Early and Late-onset Allergy Outcomes in the Cincinnati Childhood Allergy and Air Pollution Study (CCAAPS) cohort.

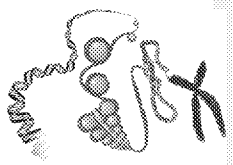




Project 6 (HHRA 3.23) CRA (*continued*): Creating Context for Communities

- Task 6.3 (*HHRA 3.223*) Applying Genetic and Epigenetic Data to Inform Susceptibility (TL Sue Euling, NCEA W)
  - **Applying Epigenetics Data to Cumulative Risk**
    - **Human Study:** Nonchemical Stressors, Epigenetic Changes, Susceptibility to Air Pollution Exposure, and Cardiovascular Disease *(HHRA, ACE, and SHC Collaboration with NHEERL on Duke CATHGEN project)*
      - *Currently running DNA methylation chips and anticipate completion of data collection in Spring*
      - *Analysis thereafter with results in summer*
    - **Literature Review:** Transgenerational Effects, Epigenetics, and Developmental and Reproductive Effects – *Implications for Chemical Testing and Risk Assessment*
      - *Updated draft manuscript with new search; 2 presentations provided by co-author*
    - **Epigenetics and Cumulative Risk Assessment Workshop Report**
  - **Applying Polymorphism and Mechanistic Data to Inform Genetic Susceptibility**
    - **Approach and Case Study:** Use AOP Framework and Select Relevant and Data Rich AOP for Case Study
      - On track; developing different approaches depending on available data with comparisons and advantages / disadvantages





Project 6 (HHRA 3.23) CRA (*continued*): Creating Context for Communities

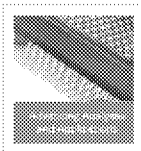
- Task 6.4 (HHRA 3.234) **Apportioning Multimedia Exposure and Risk Across Human and Ecological Receptors (TL Jen Richmond-Bryant)**
  - Targeted to advance and apply methodologies for studying multiple stressor, multimedia exposures
  - SOT 2017 Poster (Abstract # / Poster #: 3536/P511) on March 16: Reyes J and Price P. *An analysis of cumulative risks indicated by biomonitoring data of six phthalates using the maximum cumulative ratio.*
  - Two papers in progress:
    - Modeling cumulative risk from multiple phthalates exposures using the maximum cumulative ratio
    - Trends in NHANES phthalate data

Project 6 (*HHRA 3.23*): Cumulative Risk Assessment Methods and Applications

- Task 6.4 (*HHRA 3.234*) *continued*: Cumulative exposures, social determinants, and health in Philadelphia (Richmond-Bryant, Reyes, Gross-Davis)
  - Collaboration with R3 (Gross-Davis)
  - Study addresses how to integrate non-chemical stressors in a community-level cumulative risk assessment (CRA), specifically by testing:
    - What social factors modify associations of health effects with chemical/non-chemical stressors
    - Why exposures to stressors may disproportionately burden vulnerable populations
  - Selected as one of four pilot studies of ORD Social-Environmental Science Exchange (SESE) and thereby receive assistance to
    - Design and implement focus groups related to perceptions of surrounding environment and factors that influence neighborhood environments
    - Address questions related to combining social and environmental data
    - Interpret results from focus groups in a larger context

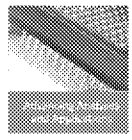
Topic 4: Advancing Analyses and Applications

- Topic 4 Leads: David Bussard / Scot Hagerthey (NCEA W)
  - Project 7 (*HHRA 4.21*) **Advancing Hazard Characterization and Dose-Response Methods** (PLs Allen Davis, NCEA CIN / Andrew Kraft, NCEA W)
  - Project 8 (*HHRA 4.22*) **Applying Emerging Science to Inform Risk Screening and Assessment** (PLs John Stanek, NCEA RTP / Jay Zhao, NCEA CIN)
  - Project 9 (*HHRA 4.23*) **Risk Assessment Support and Training** (PLs Maureen Johnson, NCEA IO) / Reeder Sams, NCEA RTP)



Project 7 (HHRA 4.21): Advancing Hazard Characterization and Dose-response Methods

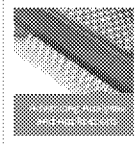
- Task 7.1 (*HHRA 4.211*) **Advancing Methods for Systematic Review and Evidence Integration** (TL Molini Patel, NCEA RTP)
  - No update for FY17 Q2



- Task 7.2 (*HHRA 4.212*) **Advancing Quantitative Methods** (TLs John Fox (NCEA W) / Karen Hogan (NCEA IRIS)
  - Bayesian epi meta-regression software
    - Developed in 2016 and finalized in FY17 Q1/Q2 to support arsenic assessment for evaluation of multiple epidemiological (e.g., case control and cohort) studies in a single meta-analysis.
    - Significant software development as it represents a method that goes beyond existing published methods in several respects, but particularly with respect to an expansion of the types of studies that can be combined in a meta-regression analysis.
  - Model averaging methods – methods currently under development for model averaging (frequentist and Bayesian methods for continuous and dichotomous endpoints)
    - To be presented and discussed at a BMD workshop hosted by the European Food Safety Authority in Brussels, Belgium, March 1st and 2nd.

Project 7 (HHRA 4.21): Advancing Hazard Characterization and Dose-response Methods

- Task 7.3 (HHRA 4.213): **Advancing Methods for Benefits and Uncertainty Analyses** (TLs Todd Blessinger, NCEA W / Tom Bateson, NCEA W)
  - Case study of exposure-response functions from epidemiology studies that illustrates methodologies showing how those functions can be presented to inform benefits analyses was drafted and shared with OP
  - These same methodological materials are currently intended as part of the appendix materials for the IRIS formaldehyde assessment
  - For completion of the HHRA product in 7.3, explanatory materials and text regarding potential implications of the methodologies are being drafted



- Task 7.4 (HHRA 4.214): **Characterizing Determinants of Risk: Concentration, Duration and Timing of Exposure** (TLs Andrew Hotchkiss, NCEA RTP / George Woodall, NCEA RTP)
  - No FY17 Q2 update
- Task 7.5 (HHRA 4.215): **Science Workshops and Webinars on Major Risk Assessment Methodology Issues (2-4 per year)** (TL David Bussard, NCEA W)
  - On hold due to budget impact

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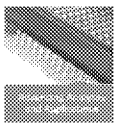

- Project 8 (*HHRA 4.22*) – Applying Emerging Science to Inform Risk Screening and Assessment [PLs John Stanek (NCEA RTP) / Jay Zhao (NCEA CIN)]
  - Task 8.1 (*HHRA 4.221*) **Disease-based integration of new data types** (TL Ila Cote, NCEA IO)
  - Task 8.2 (*HHRA 4.222*) **Characterization and Quantitative Application of High-throughput Screening (HTS) and Other Data-mining Derivations** (TL Scott Wesselkamper, NCEA CIN)
  - Task 8.3 (*HHRA 4.223*) **Dosimetry21: Advancing Multi-scale Dosimetry Models to Incorporate AOP/MOA and Biomarker Data** (TL Annie Jarabek, NCEA RTP with IWG/PKWG)
  - Task 8.4 (*HHRA 4.224*) **Evaluation and application of new exposure data and methods** (TLs Jacqueline Moya, NCEA W / Tom Long, NCEA RTP)

- **Task 8.1 (*HHRA 4.221*) Disease-based Data Integration** (TL Ila Cote)
  - Focus has been inorganic arsenic assessment
    - Manuscripts in preparation on various disease outcomes
    - SOT 2017 Poster (Abstract # /Poster #: 2808 / P210) on March 15 : Druwe et al. Using Data Science to Identify at-Risk Subpopulations Exposed to Ground Water Contaminants: A Case Study of AS3MT in US-Mexican Mestizos and Arsenic Exposure
  - Future work will expand on above approaches and explore other applications of AOP
    - SOT 2017 Poster (Abstract # 2825 / Poster # P227): Jarabek and Harkema. Adverse Outcome Pathway (AOP) for ICL2-mediated Respiratory Epithelial Dysregulation and Remodeling Demonstrated by Inhaled Ozone and Chlorine
    - SOT 2017 Poster (Abstract # 2826 / Poster # P228): Clippinger et al. A Mechanistic Approach Using Adverse Outcome Pathways (AOPs) to Aid Design of *In Vitro* Inhalation Testing

- **Task 8.2 (*HHRA 4.222*) Characterization and Quantitative Application of High-throughput Screening (HTS) and Other Data-mining Derivations** (TL Scott Wesselkamper, NCEA CIN)
  - Subtask 8.2.1 (RMS ID# HHRA 4.222.1): Manuscript accepted for publication and available electronically ahead of print:
    - Dean JL, Jay Zhao Q, Lambert JC, Hawkins BS, Thomas RS, Wesselkamper SC et al. (2017). Application of Gene Set Enrichment Analysis for Identification of Chemically-induced, Biologically Relevant Transcriptomic Networks and Potential Utilization in Human Health Risk Assessment. *Toxicol. Sci.* [Epub ahead of print] https://academic.oup.com/toxsci/article-lookup/doi/10.1093/toxsci/kfx021
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  - On hold with NRC due to budget impact

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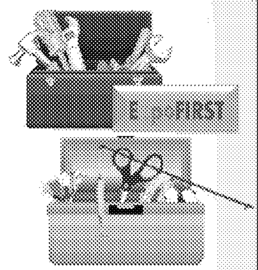
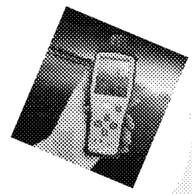
Project 8 (HHRA 4.22): Applying Emerging Science to Inform Risk Screening and Assessment (*cont*)



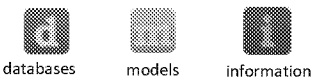
- **Task 8.4 (*HHRA 4.224*) Evaluation and application of new exposure data and methods (TLs Jackie Moya, NCEA W and Tom Long, NCEA RTP)**
  - The updated Chapter 5 -Soil and Dust Ingestion of the Exposure Factors Handbook was released for internal review on 2/7.
  - Eco-Box will be released for internal review on 2/9.
  - Food Consumption tool is expected to be released for internal review in March.

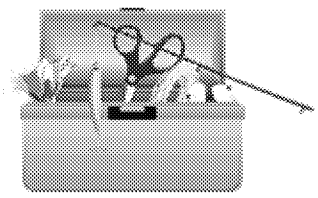


- **Advancing the Application of Sensor Data for Risk-Informed Decision Making**

What is EPA-Eco-Box?

- Web-based compendium of links to ecological risk assessment tools
- One-stop shopping for ecological risk assessors
- Organized by Topic Areas
- User-friendly format
- Companion to EPA-Expo-Box
- Currently under development

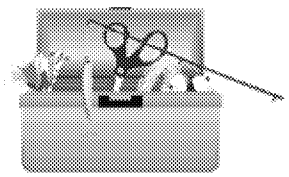




To view draft website:
Login using your LAN/Wan ID and password at: https://wcms.epa.gov/user/login
Use the following link to access the draft website: https://wcms.epa.gov/ecobox

EPA-Eco-Box Features

- Annotated Links to Over 400 Tools
  - Databases
  - Models
  - Guidance documents
  - References
- Organized into 4 Tool Sets
  - Stressors
  - Exposure Pathways
  - Receptors and Exposure Factors
  - Effects
- Search Interface
- Additional Resources
  - Basic information
  - Frequently asked questions
  - Join mailing list
  - Contact us / provide suggestions



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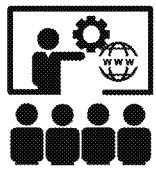
- Project 9 (*RMS HHRA 4.23*) – Risk Assessment Support and Training (PLs Maureen Johnson, NCEA IO / Reeder Sams, NCEA RTP)



  - Task 9.1 (*HHRA 4.231*): **Development and maintenance of essential software and support tools (e.g, HERO, BMDS, ExpoBox, IRIS website)** (TLs Maureen Johnson, NCEA IO / Reeder Sams, NCEA RTP)
  - Task 9.2 (*HHRA 4.232*): **Development and application of risk assessment training** (TL Abdel Kadry, NCEA IO)

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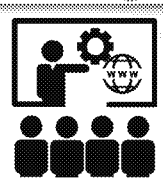
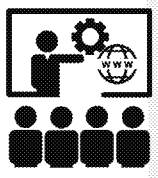


  - EPA updated the OneEPA website template in mid-December based on recommendations from user evaluations and a Government-wide workgroup
    - New design is easier to read, a larger font, and more friendly on mobile devices.
    - This update was made on the Drupal part of the website and replicated to the standalone portions of our site which impacted IRIS, ISA's, Expo-Box, RISK, ERASC, and the exposure factors program pages with minimal changes made to the way the web pages are displayed.

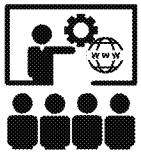
Project 9 (HHRA 4.23): Risk Assessment Support and Training

- **Task 9.2 (*HHRA 4.232*) Development and application of risk assessment training**
- **Risk Assessment training to scientists from the Chinese Environmental Protection Agency. Beijing China, November 21-25, 2016.**
  - NCEA team provided full four day's course consists of fifteen modules, and includes cases of application of risk assessment in various challenges throughout the course. Instructors: Mary Ross, Jason Fritz and Teneille Walker
- **NCEA provided training at the Society for Risk Analysis (SRA) Annual Meeting, California, USA December 11-15, December 2016.**
  - **Categorical Regression Modeling**. Course Instructors: J. Allen Davis; Jeff Gift, and Jay Zhao
  - **Exposure-Response Array Training.** Course Instructors: George Woodall, and Ingrid Druwe.
- Full semester (fall 2016) of graduate course work on **Environmental Health Risk Assessment** to the graduate students at University of Maryland, College Park, MD. NCEA instructors: Abdel Kadry, Jason Fritz, Mathew Lorber, Barbra Glenn Meredith Lassiter, Allen Davis, Jeff Gift and Yu-Sheng Lin
- FY17: Work in progress on **web implementation of three basic modules** of the rate program: 1) Risk Assessment Basics (RAB) 101: Introduction to Risk Assessment; 2) RAB 102: Laws and Regulatory Foundation for Risk Assessment; and 3) RAB 103: Overview of Human Health and Ecological Reference Values



Software, Support and Training PACT: Project 9 (HHRA 4.23) cont.

- HHRA homepage provides links to all projects: **http://intranet.ord.epa.gov/p2/hhra/home**
  - Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) Website and database
  - Integrated Science Assessments (ISA) Websites and database
  - Provisional Peer-reviewed Toxicity Value (PPRTV) Website and database
- Health and Environmental Research Online (HERO) database (> 3 million references)
- Benchmark Dose Software (BMDS) Modeling website and training system
- EPA's-Expo-Box Website (EXPO-Box) and database
- Ecological Risk Assessment Support Center (ERASC) website
- Risk Assessment (Risk) Web Portal collection of human health risk assessments website and databases, including:
  - All-Ages Lead Model (AALM) Website
  - BioMarkers database
  - Database of Sources of Dioxin-like Compounds in the US
  - Dioxin Website and database
  - Epigenetics reference compilation
  - Next Generation of Risk Assessment (NexGen) website
  - Physiologically Based Pharmacokinetic (PBPK) modeling Website
  - Physiological Information (PID) database.



http://www2.epa.gov/risk

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New landing page for all things risk provides link

Other HHRA Outreach and Technical Support

HHRA Bulletin	• Monthly to bi-monthly updates about all HHRA program activities • Membership grew from 0 in 2012 to 12,854 in November 2016
Benchmark Dose Software (BMDS)	• Periodic updates on new BMDS versions; including new categorical regression (CatReg) module, new developments activities such as model averaging, and training opportunities • Membership is 5,519 as of November 2016
IRIS	• Updates as needed on IRIS Program activities • Membership grew from 700 in 2012 to 3,287 in November 2016
EPA-Expo-Box	• Periodic messages on updates, new features and helpful tips; most recent message sent September 2016 to announce release of ExpoFIRST • Membership grew from 0 in 2013 to 1,215 in November 2016

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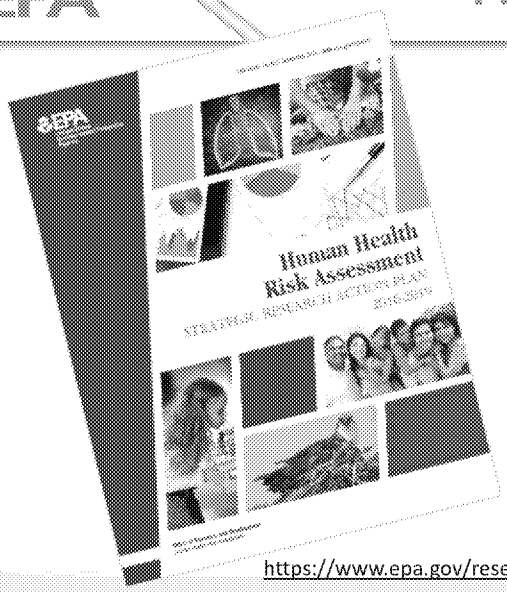

- **Provides a portfolio of assessment products for improved public health**
- **Identifies issues and advances approaches to arrive at solutions**
- **Applies new technologies and data to refine analyses**
- **Supports communities with cumulative risk characterization of multiple stressors on human and ecological health**
- **Educates and engages stakeholders to build capacity**

https://www.epa.gov/research/strategic-research-action-plans-2016-2019

Project and PACT Updates: Continued Partner Engagement

- **Quarterly HHRA Highlights briefings: Q3 on May 9 and Q4 on July 11, 2017**
- **HHRA Project Alliance and Coordination Team (PACT) meetings**
  - **Project-specific participation: IRIS Public Science meetings, Bi-monthly PPRTV meetings, other**
  - **Other PACT Meetings to be held *ad hoc* to ensure success as needed**
  - **New partner opportunities being explored (e.g., development details)**

1) "IRIS" PACT: Projects 1 & 2
2) "ISA" PACT: Project 3
3) "PPRTV and Other Priorities" PACT: Projects 4 & 5
4) "Cumulative Risk Assessment" PACT: Project 6
5) "Advancing Methods & Models" PACT: Project 7
6) "Emerging Science & Exposure Applications" PACT: Project 8
7) "Software, Support & Training" PACT: Project 9